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## Memorandum

To: Regional Director, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Mid-Pacific Region, Sacramento, California

From: Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Southwest Region, Sacramento, California

Subject: Withdrawal of the Biological Opinion for California WaterFix

We are in receipt of the May 2, 2019 joint request from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (Reclamation) and California Department of Water Resources (DWR) to withdraw our June 23, 2017 biological opinion on the California WaterFix project. Reclamation and DWR are also withdrawing their submittal of a Biological Assessment and request for formal section 7 consultation pursuant to the Endangered Species Act. Therefore, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) hereby withdraws the biological opinion for California WaterFix and considers it to no longer have any force or effect. The Service appreciates Reclamation's and DWR's coordination on this consultation and the Bay Delta Conservation Plan.

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